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LETTER

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants submitted an information disclosure statement ("IDS") on June 28, 2001, concurrently with the filing of the patent application, citing a set of prior art documents. A return receipt postcard confirming receipt of the IDS was date stamped by the USPTO on June 28, 2001 and returned. Copies of the IDS and the return receipt postcard are provided herewith.

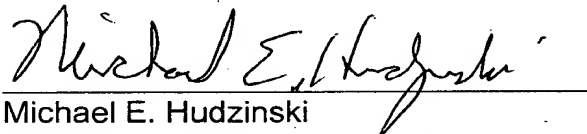
An initial Office Action dated July 6, 2004 was received by applicants' representative, however, no initialed PTO-1449 was included.

Additionally, applicants' representative telephoned the Examiner in November 2004 to inquire about the IDS and was told by the Examiner that an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form would be included in the next Office Action. This Letter is for the purpose of completing the record.

Applicants respectfully request confirmation that the IDS was considered and officially cited in the examination of this application. For this purpose, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner sign a copy of form PTO-1449 which was submitted as part of the IDS and provide his/her initials next to the documents identified therein. Applicants further request that a copy of the signed and initialed PTO-1449 form be placed in the file wrapper of this patent application and a copy be sent to the undersigned representative of the applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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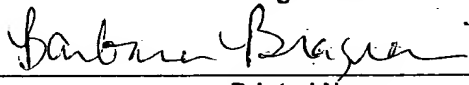
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